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8 May 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,
Colonel White, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, ~~Mr. Sheldon~~,
Mr. Abbot Smith, [redacted]

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MR. DULLES:

a. Briefly discussed an article appearing in the Washington Post on Sunday, 7 May, regarding the establishment of a "Cold War Center" in the Department of State, and commented that as far as he knew CIA had not been officially notified of this action. In response to a query from DD/I, the Director stated that until advised to the contrary, there will be no change in the dissemination of intelligence by CIA.

b. Noted that J. C. King had been in touch with a representative of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare regarding the Cuban refugees, and commented while this seemed to be in hand, if J. C. is too busy with other things there was no objection to designating someone else to handle any further action required. *Action DD/P*

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d. Noted a Presidential directive concerning conflict of interest and was advised by DD/S that the contents thereof will be made a part of Agency regulations.

e. Noted proposed memoranda to the Secretaries of State and Defense regarding designation of representatives from these two departments to [redacted]'s staff and, after some discussion, it was agreed that these memoranda should be signed and dispatched.

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f. Noted a proposal to increase the T/O of the Radio Propaganda Branch of FBIS by 10 for the purpose of analyzing Soviet propaganda as one of the indicators of Bloc intentions to create a hot war situation, and

asked if those present agreed. Mr. Amory stated he did not but since it had been approved by USIB, he was willing to go along. He said, however, he did not see what could be gained by going back to Soviet propaganda before the Korean War and from conversations he has had with others, his feeling had been reenforced that this would be a useless exercise. He also pointed out that the Radio Propaganda Branch has been engaged in analyzing Bloc propaganda along these lines and these analyses receive rather wide distribution throughout the government. The Director commented he was not aware of this and Mr. Amory remarked while this was correct, a good deal of this information is used as required in the Director's NSC briefings. General Cabell noted that the proposal in question resulted from a survey of the activities of NIC. After some discussion, it was agreed to defer action and a determination be made as to whether the analysis now being provided is sufficient to meet the requirements of the NIC. Action: DD/I

MR. BISSELL:

25X1 [redacted] Noted that a cable had been received from the CIA Station Chief, [redacted] on Sunday and had been disseminated to the White House and Alexis Johnson in State regarding a conversation with [redacted] He commented that there had apparently been some question on the part of Mr. Johnson as to whether the CIA representative [redacted] was acting on his own, and he (Mr. Bissell) had assured Mr. Johnson that [redacted] was acting for the ambassador.

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MR. AMORY:

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MR. HELMS:

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